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HIGHLIGHTS

INTERIM ADMINISTRATOR AT THE GASCONADE COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT (GCHD)

Effective August 3, Greg Lara was named Interim Administrator for the Gasconade County Health Department. Greg replaces Sara Michie, Administrator who has resigned her position to move closer to her family. Sara will be working closely with Greg and the GCHD Board of Trustees through the end of the month.

BREAST CANCER SURVIVORSHIP CARE - TARGETING A COLORECTAL CANCER EDUCATION INTERVENTION

Breast cancer survivors are at risk of developing a second primary cancer. Colorectal cancer (CRC) is one of the leading second primary cancers, and it is often preventable. We developed a multi-component educational tool to inform and encourage women breast cancer survivors to engage in CRC screening. To assess the strengths and weakness of the tool and to improve the relevancy to the target audience, we convened four focus groups of women breast cancer survivors in Missouri. We also assessed the potential impact of the tool on the knowledge, attitudes, and beliefs regarding CRC and collected information on the barriers to CRC screening through pre- and post-focus groups' questionnaires. A total of 43 women breast cancer survivors participated and provided very valuable suggestions on design and content to update the tool. Through the process and comparing pre- and post-focus group assessments, a significantly higher proportion of breast cancer survivors strongly agreed or agreed that CRC is preventable and became aware that they were at a slightly increased risk for CRC. The most cited barrier was the complexity of preparation for colonoscopy. To view more on this publication, please visit <http://www.mdpi.com/2075-4426/5/3/296>.

2014 MISSOURI BEHAVIORAL RISK FACTOR SURVEILLANCE SYSTEM (BRFSS) KEY FINDINGS REPORT AVAILABLE

The 2014 Missouri (BRFSS) Key Findings Report is now available at <http://www.health.mo.gov/data/brfss/data.php>. The report includes the prevalence of Missouri adults with chronic diseases, conditions, and risk factors. Data are also available regarding access to health care and preventive practices including cancer screenings, dental visits, and immunizations. The BRFSS is an annual survey of Missouri adults whose landline and cell telephone numbers are randomly selected for participation.

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- [Heartland Centers](#)
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SAVE THE DATE – 2015 REGIONAL HEALTH AND MEDICAL PREPAREDNESS CONFERENCE

Join your public health and medical colleagues for the FREE [2015 Regional Health and Medical Preparedness Conference](#) at the Richard Bolling Building in Kansas City on September 3-4. Registration is on-line through Eventzilla. Pre-registration is preferred to ensure accurate counts and to assist with building security. Please register in advance at: <http://healthandmedicalpreparedness.eventzilla.net>. Complete conference information is included in the attached [flyer](#) along with [FAQs](#).

NURSING LICENSE PLATES NOW AVAILABLE

The Missouri Nurses Foundation (MNF), a nonprofit working to promote the future of nursing, seeks to build camaraderie among and visibility of nurses in our state and is sponsoring a specialty license plate celebrating Missouri nurses. As an engaged nurse, MNF is offering you the opportunity to be among the first to drive with pride in your nursing profession. For additional information, click [here](#).

UPCOMING FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FOR LOCAL HEALTH DEPARTMENT (LDH) ACCREDITATION PREPARATION

The National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO) is pleased to announce an upcoming funding opportunity for local health departments. With funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC's) Office for State, Tribal, Local, and Territorial Support, NACCHO will be offering a fifth year of Accreditation Support Initiative (ASI) awards. These awards are intended to stimulate quality improvement and promote the readiness of health departments to seek voluntary national accreditation through the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB). Potential project activities include efforts to meeting identified PHAB prerequisites, preparing documentation, and offsetting accreditation fees. In addition to monetary support, selected sites will also receive technical assistance from NACCHO and connections to peers in the field.

The Request for Proposals (RFP) for the Accreditation Support Initiative (ASI) 2015-2016 awards will be made available on NACCHO's website at www.naccho.org/fees during the week of 8/17/15. If you are interested in applying for this opportunity, NACCHO recommends that you assess your agency's accreditation preparation needs and goals over the coming weeks to prepare for the application. NACCHO also recommends you review its [standard contract language](#) because it cannot be modified if an award is received. Questions about this upcoming opportunity can be directed to asi@naccho.org. Subscribe to accreditNATION to receive the full Request for Proposal (RFP) when it's available!

SAFE AT HOME ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM

Safe at Home is an address confidentiality program administered by the Secretary of State's office that helps survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, stalking, or rape in their efforts to stay safe. Participants in the program are able to use a substitute address assigned to them by *Safe at Home* when making new records with state and local government agencies so that abusers cannot track participants through public records. Please feel free to refer clients to *Safe at Home* who may benefit from the program. State and local agencies are required to accept a *Safe at Home* address when making new records. Agencies may telephone *Safe at Home* if there are any questions about taking the substitute address or if verification of residency is needed. For more information, please visit www.MoSafe

MISSOURI STATE WIDE INTEROPERABLE NETWORK (MOSWIN) QUARTERLY RADIO CHECK-IN DRILL FOR LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH AGENCIES (LPHAS) WITH MOSWIN RADIOS AUGUST 17

The Quarterly MOSWIN Radio Drill for all LPHAs with MOSWIN control stations and mobile radios will be held on Monday August 17. Check in is scheduled by Highway Patrol region at the following times:

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| Region A | 9:00 a.m. | Region E | 10:00 a.m. |
| Region B | 9:15 a.m. | Region F | 10:15 a.m. |
| Region C | 9:30 a.m. | Region G & I | 10:30 a.m. |
| Region D | 9:45 a.m. | Region H | 10:45 a.m. |

The Emergency Response Center (ERC) will conduct each session utilizing the DHSS COMMON talk group. For this drill Hospitals that have MOSWIN radios will be invited to participate in the drill. The LPHAs will be called first with the hospitals called after the LPHA in their county. LPHAs that cannot participate at their region's designated time are invited to check in at any regional time of their choosing. For any questions on the exercise, please call David Bagge at 573-522-6150 or 417-230-7930 or e-mail to david.bagge@sema.dps.mo.gov.

WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC web page. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

- Resource Order Forms
- WIC Resources in Spanish
- **JOB OPENING:** Part-Time WIC Nutritionist – Shannon County Health Center

AUGUST 27 ICD-10 TRAINING AND RESOURCES

The National Provider Call: Countdown to ICD-10 training will be held on Thursday, August 27, from 2:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. EST. To register, visit [MLN Connects Event Registration](#), space may be limited, so register early. For more information, please see the attached [flyer](#). Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services (CMS) Training: www.Roadto10.org. For ICD-10 questions related to coding or policy, Tisha McGowan with MO HealthNet can be contacted at 573-522-4294 or Tisha.A.McGowan@dss.mo.gov.

MISSOURI VOTER REGISTRATION CARDS

DHSS works closely with the Missouri Secretary of State's Office (SOS) in promoting Voter Registration in Missouri. Currently, voter registration cards are handed out by the local public health agencies (LPHAs). **WIC client** cards have the following version number in the bottom left corner: **MO 231-0167 (WIC/MVR-1)**. The SOS office would like to remind agencies that the version number for **non-WIC** applicants is **MO 231-0169 (BVR-1)**. This card has been revised for the current voting year. If you have cards with past years on the back please discard them and order new ones with the 2015-2016 dates. Agencies are able to order postcards to make available to all visitors of their agency, and both voter applications can be requested the same way (see [attached](#) form). These postcards will need to be filled out by the applicant and forwarded to the County Clerk's office for the county in which the applicant resides. Please fax your request to the DHSS warehouse at 573-751-1574.

DHSS CORNER

DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:

BUREAU CHIEF FOR THE BUREAU OF COMMUNICABLE DISEASE CONTROL AND PREVENTION - Division of Community and Public Health

The Bureau of Communicable Disease Control and Prevention currently has an opening for a Bureau Chief. Please see the [attached](#) position blurb for additional information. The position will require statewide and out-of-state travel, including some overnights. Previous communicable disease or comparable experience, and public health experience is preferred. The successful candidate will have strong communication and collaborative skills and previous management experience. The position is located in Jefferson City. Although this position is not currently a merit position, it is comparable to a Health and Senior Services Broad Band II Manager position. Interested individuals must submit an application and resume to Jessica Bell at Jessica.Bell@health.mo.gov by close of business on **August 19, 2015**.

MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

ENVIRONMENTAL CHILD CARE FALL TRAINING DATES AND LOCATIONS FOR 2015

- September 9 - Central District, 930 Wildwood, Jefferson City
- September 22 - Southeast District Office, 1903 Northwood, Poplar Bluff ***NOTE CHANGE IN DATE AND LOCATION***
- September 29 - Northwest District Office, 3717 Whitney Ave, Independence
- October 7 - Macon, Macon Comfort Inn, 1821 North Missouri, Macon
- October 20 - Eastern District, St. Louis County Health Dept. 6121 North Hanley, Berkeley
- October 29 - Southwest District, Springfield Library, 4653 Campbell, Springfield

LPHAs are reminded that paragraph 7 of the Child Care Sanitation Program Inspections Participation Agreement requires Contractors to "Ensure that all inspectors complete annual training provided by the Department". The trainings listed above will be from 8am-4pm and will also include updates/training for the onsite sewage program as well as an overview of the Missouri Rapid Response Team Program. An agenda will be provided at a later date. Registration is not required.

CHANGE IN DATE AND LOCATION: Southeast District Poplar Bluff Environmental Child Care Fall Training

Due to scheduling conflicts, the date of the Southeast District Poplar Bluff ECC Fall Training has changed. The training will now be held on September 22 and will be located at the Department of Social Services building at 1903 Northwood, Poplar Bluff.

TUBERCULOSIS (TB) CONTACT INVESTIGATION TRAINING

The TB Program will be conducting a two-day Contact Investigation Training this September/October. The TB Contact Investigation Training will be a skill-building training intended to improve the abilities of staff that are responsible for conducting TB contact investigation interviews. The training will provide an overview of the contact investigation process, basic communication, and interviewing skills. Please see [flyer](#) for more information or contact Rachel Allen at 573-526-5832 or Rachel.Allen@health.mo.gov.

SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER REGIONAL LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH SYSTEM MEETINGS

Mark your calendar and plan to attend the session most convenient for you. (50 percent county attendance from each region is necessary to hold these meetings.)

10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

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| Tuesday, September 1 | Comfort Inn – Macon |
| Thursday, September 10 | DHSS – Jefferson City – Oak A & B Conference Rooms |
| Wednesday, September 30 | Northwest District Health Office – Independence |
| Tuesday, October 6 | The Library Center – Springfield |
| Wednesday, October 28 | State Office Building – Poplar Bluff |
| Thursday, October 29 | South County Health Center – St. Louis |

Attached is an [agenda](#) and [registration form](#) with specific dates and locations. Check the meeting you plan to attend and e-mail or fax the form to the Center for Local Public Health Services, Attn: Brenda Buschjost, at Brenda.Buschjost@health.mo.gov, or 573-751-5350. Final meeting agendas will be posted to <http://health.mo.gov/living/lpha/meetings.php> in the upcoming weeks.

2015 MISSOURI ANNUAL PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE – September 22-24

Registration is now open for the 2015 Missouri Annual Public Health Conference, "Creating Pathways to a Healthier Missouri." We have an exciting lineup of speakers, including the new Executive Director of National Association of County and City Health Officials (NACCHO), Dr. LaMar Hasbrouck, giving the keynote address. There are four tracks of breakout sessions: Policies, Programs, Partnerships, and Peering into the Future--so there is something for everyone! Please register today. The low conference hotel rate is guaranteed only if you make reservations before August 21. For more information, see the attached [flyer](#).

20TH ANNUAL BI-STATE INFECTIOUS DISEASE CONFERENCE – October 16

The 20th Annual Bi-State Infectious Disease Conference will be held at the Marriott St. Louis Airport on Friday, October 16. This conference is jointly provided by Heartland National TB Center, Missouri and Illinois Public Health, and APIC-St. Louis Chapter 73. **Hot Topics** include: Antibiotic Stewardship, Emerging Illnesses, Fecal Transplantation, Occupational Health, Ebola: Lessons Learned Locally, C-difficile, CRE, TB and Adult Immunizations: What's Required. To register or for more information visit: www.bistateidconference.org/.

SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

UPCOMING SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS

Please see the [attached flier](#) listing upcoming satellite broadcasts. Contact Jackie McCoy at 573-751-6170 or Heather Rhodes at 573-751-6168 with questions or to report technical problems.

LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES

PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Gasconade County Health Department

The Gasconade County Health Department is seeking a full-time Public Health Nurse position. Missouri nursing license required. Public health experience preferred but not required. For an application and job description, please stop by the Hermann office, 300 Schiller Street, Hermann, or e-mail a request to greg.lara@gasconadecountyhealth.com. Applications must be received by August 18.

PART-TIME WIC NUTRITIONIST- Gasconade County Health Department

The Gasconade County Health Department is looking to fill a part-time WIC Nutritionist position. This position will require a minimum qualification of graduation from an accredited four-year college or university with a bachelor's degree in dietetics, public health nutrition, human nutrition, nutritional sciences, nutrition and fitness, sports nutrition, restaurant and food services management, foods, family and consumer sciences, human environmental sciences, or home economics; including or supplemented by at least 15 semester hours in food and nutrition from a 4-year program, including at least one (1) course in diet therapy or medical nutrition therapy I & II, and one (1) course in community nutrition or nutrition in the life cycle/lifecycle nutrition; or completion of an undergraduate curriculum in nutrition or dietetics program accredited or approved by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. Public health experience preferred, but not required. The ideal candidate must be dependable and self-motivated. Please submit to greg.lara@gasconadecountyhealth.com or mail to Greg Lara 300 Schiller St., Hermann, MO 65041. The Gasconade County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer.

EPIDEMIOLOGY SPECIALIST--Jefferson County Health Department

Jefferson County Health Department is seeking an Epidemiology Specialist. This is specialized professional epidemiologic work in the investigation, analysis, prevention, and control of injuries or communicable, chronic, or environmentally induced diseases. An employee in this class is responsible for conducting on-going epidemiologic studies in order to investigate, identify and analyze incidence, prevalence, trends, and causes of injuries or communicable, chronic, or environmentally induced diseases and for assisting with the development of intervention strategies, policies and procedures, and the evaluation of new and existing and control programs based on epidemiologic findings. Work involves communicating with health care providers; social service agencies; schools; federal, state, and local officials; the media and/or others concerning disease and injury investigation, prevention and control. Work may include supervision over subordinate staff. Work is subject to general review and direction by a higher-level epidemiologist, program administrator or other designated superior; however, the employee works with considerable independence within established policies and procedures. This position requires a possession of a Master's Degree in Epidemiology or Public Health or related field from an accredited college or university. Or, one year of professional experience in chronic disease, communicable disease, human nutrition, injury control, environmental epidemiology, or infection control, which included disease or injury investigation and risk assessment; and a Bachelor's degree from an accredited college or university in nursing, nutrition/dietetics, health care administration, biostatistics, sociology, psychology, anthropology, or a biological, physical or environmental science. Please send resume to: Jefferson County Health Department, PO Box 437, Hillsboro, MO 63050, Attention: Human Resources Department or e-mail resumes to jeana.vidacak@jeffcohealth.org. Resumes will be accepted through August 20, 2015. Jefferson County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.

ANIMAL CONTROL OFFICER - Taney County Health Department

The Taney County Health Department will be accepting resumes for the position of Animal Control Officer. Minimum requirements for this position include possession of a high school diploma or GED, valid Missouri driver's license, and a clean driving record. Responsible for enforcing animal control ordinances regarding stray, dangerous and nuisance domestic and wild animals; investigates complaints; captures animals; performs other duties related to humane animal protection and service. Applicant must be passionate about the wellbeing of animals. Bilingual in Spanish a plus. Benefit package includes paid vacation, holidays, and sick time; LAGERS Retirement system, and health and dental insurance. Resumes may be mailed or e-mailed to: Taney County Health Department, P.O. Box 369, Forsyth, MO 65653, Attn: HR Department, stevet@lpha.mopublic.org or huacuh@lpha.mopublic.org. The deadline date is August 19. *The Taney County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, color, race, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state laws.*

Gail Vasterling, Department Director, DHSS Staff
County Presiding Commissioners, Board Chairs

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